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REINFORCEMENT AND PROCESS OF PRODUCTION OF RUBBER

COMPOSITION CONTAINING MODIFIED CARBON BLACK

SUBMISSION OF TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 14, 2006

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is a Terminal Disclaimer.

Check number 444454 in the amount of \$130.00 is attached for payment of the required fee. In the event that any additional fees are due with respect to this paper, please charge our Deposit Account Number 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket Number 100021-00136.

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Sir:

Petitioner, THE YOKOHAMA RUBBER CO., LTD., having its place of business at 36-11, Shimbashi 5-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-8685, Japan, represents that it is the assignee and owner of all right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/725,058, filed December 2, 2003, for PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF MODIFIED CARBON BLACK FOR RUBBER REINFORCEMENT AND PROCESS OF PRODUCTION OF RUBBER COMPOSITION CONTAINING MODIFIED CARBON BLACK, the assignment for the application being recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 2, 1999, Reel 9828, Frame 0726.

Petitioner is also the assignee of all right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patents Number 6,652,641 B2, issued November 25, 2003, for PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF MODIFIED CARBON BLACK FOR RUBBER REINFORCEMENT AND PROCESS OF PRODUCTION OF RUBBER COMPOSITION CONTAINING MODIFIED CARBON

BLACK, the assignment for the patent being recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 24, 1999, Reel 010420, Frame 0211.

Petitioner hereby disclaims the terminal part, if any, of a patent granted on U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/725,058, which would extend beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent Number 6,652,641 B2, further, such patent shall be enforceable only during such period that the legal title to such patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Patent Number 6,652,641 B2, this agreement to run with the patent granted on U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/725,058, and to be binding on its grantee, its successors, or assigns.

Petitioner does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application prior to the expiration date of the full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer of U.S. Patent Number 6,652,641 B2 in the event that it later:

expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee;

is held unenforceable;

is found invalid;

is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 C.F.R. 1.321(a);

has all claims cancelled by a reexamination certificate; or

is otherwise terminated prior to the expiration of its statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, except for the separation of legal title stated above.

The undersigned on behalf of petitioner, THE YOKOHAMA RUBBER CO., LTD., hereby states and declares that I have the authority to execute this Terminal Disclaimer on behalf of the petitioner.

Respectfully submitted,

THE YOKOHAMA RUBBER CO., LATD.

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